

War and Sugar

Before the war, England imported practically all of its sugar from Germany, Austria and far-away Java. France produced all the sugar it needed, and had some to export. Italy supplied itself.

The war abruptly shut off England's supply of sugar from Central Europe. The armies of Europe have overrun the beet fields of Northern France, Belgium, Poland and Russia. Today the battle lines encircle the vast sugar beet area of the Central Powers. About one-third of the world's former production is unavailable to the European Allies.

The main sources of available sugar for the United States and the Allies are narrowed down to the West Indies (principally Cuba), Hawaii, the Philippines, Louisiana, and the sugar-beet fields of the Middle West.

Cuba has now increased its production of sugar cane, but England, France and other foreign countries perforce have increased their importations of sugar from Cuba.

There is an abundance of sugar in far-away Java. It is as useless to the world as unmined gold, because no nation can spare the ships to carry it.

This country and Europe could only procure sugar from Java by using ships badly needed to carry American troops and supplies to France.

It takes 150 days for a cargo ship traveling at the rate of 200 miles a day to go from England to Java and return, counting in the loading and discharging at both ends. The same ship traveling between New York and France takes 50 days for a round trip.

Therefore the same ship can make three round trips between New York and France while it is making one round trip between England and Java.

The competition among nations for Cuban raw sugar has forced up its price, with a necessary corresponding increase in the cost of refined sugar. This competition has now been overcome by the combined efforts of the United States Food Administration, the Allied Governments, and all elements of the sugar industry.

In the midst of such abnormal conditions, this Company has done everything within its power, in co-operation with the Government, to provide an even distribution of sugar to consumers at the lowest possible price.

In constant effort to stabilize the price, we have even sold sugar at less than market prices—for some time at a full cent a pound below the market.

Last February and March there were severe strikes in the refineries of this and other companies. But in the face of the new problems thus created, we

were able to deliver a normal amount of sugar every day.

The supply of raw sugar in the early summer gave evidence of being enough for all needs.

But the rate of consumption had increased. An extra 450,000,000 pounds were required to meet the needs of the people from June up to November.

"You can't eat your cake and have it too."

A part of this increased demand for sugar was due to the nationwide save the fruit crop movement. The sugar thus used is not gone. It is saved. It is simply in the fruit and jam jar instead of the sugar bowl.

Sugar has sold in the United States throughout the war at an average price lower than in any other country. It is one of the cheapest foods the nation has.

Admittedly one of the reasons for this brilliant showing, in view of changed world conditions, has been the fact that the domestic cane refining industry is in large units.

It is a noteworthy feature to the domestic refining industry which will be better appreciated the more the events of the last two years are studied.

Domino Package Sugars have been of great value in the wider and more even distribution of sugar.

A barrel holds 300 pounds or loose sugar, all of which usually goes to one grocer. It has been possible to ship practically the same amount of package sugar in three 120-pound cases to three different grocers.

The grocer has been able to handle these Domino Cane Sugars already packaged in cartons and small cotton bags, thus tending to check hoarding.

It will be necessary for grocers and consumers to watch carefully their distribution and purchases during the approaching period of readjustment.

Housewives can co-operate with this plan by buying Domino Package Sugars.

The refineries are now starting up and supplies of raw sugar coming forward, but it will take weeks, and possibly months, for the return of normal conditions.

In war time and at all times it is our aim to safeguard the interests of the public we serve.

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MATTERS OF INTEREST IN WESTERLY

Christ Episcopal Church to Raise Part of Rhode Island Allotment for War Work—Officers of Loyal Pride of New England Lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., Installed—Local Laconics.

Christ Episcopal church in Westerly is expected to do its full share of war work in the campaign of next Sunday, when it is planned to raise in the Episcopal churches in the United States the sum of \$500,000 to carry on the present work for a year. The allotment to Rhode Island is \$15,000 and is apportioned to the churches on the basis of one-tenth the amount of last year for the church pension fund. It is estimated that there are 71,315 Episcopalians in the military service and it is planned to bring the church close to their men. Every dollar contributed, so it is stated, will be devoted to actual war service, and the half million is to be expended as follows:

To equip chaplains, \$100,000; to supply voluntary chaplains, \$100,000; to maintain a register of churchmen, \$5,000; for the assistance of churches near cantonments, \$50,000; for work of co-operating agencies, \$95,000; for work overseas, \$100,000; for emergency needs, \$50,000.

The army chaplain needs service books and an altar. In France his regiment of 3,000 men is billeted in villages along five, ten and fifteen miles. He needs a small automobile or motorcycle, and many other supplies. Owing to the small number of chaplains, it is planned to furnish voluntary chaplains to aid the commissioned chaplains. These voluntary chaplains work in co-operation with the Y. M. C. A. In all the larger camps laymen, through the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, who are above the draft age, have been given the status of Y. M. C. A. secretaries. Their work is to look after the needs of members of the Episcopal church.

At the semi-annual meeting of Loyal Pride of New England lodge, I. O. O. F., Manchester Unity, the officers were installed by District Deputy John Simister of Providence, assisted by Harry Sutcliffe: Joseph B. Welden, grand master; Thomas Chaburn, no. 1 grand; Robert C. Hutchins, vice grand; Thomas R. Platt, secretary; Nathan Percay, treasurer; Samuel Counsel, elective secretary; Caleb Clark, lecture master; James H. Bishop, right supporter to noble grand; Charles J. Fuller, left supporter to noble grand; William C. Spargo, right supporter to vice grand; Angelo A. Penigson, left supporter to vice grand; John L. Haynes, ward master; H. Sparzo, guardian; Edgar Matthews, conductor; Everett E. Tillingshast, first scene supporter; Richard E. Dower, second scene supporter; Caleb Clark, Alexander Mitchell, John Givern, trustees; William C. Mudge, Charles J. Fuller, auditors; Thomas R. Platt,

Caleb Clark, Joseph B. Welden, delegates to Rhode Island district convention.

Local Laconics.

The members of the Westerly constabulary assembled for drill in the armory Tuesday evening.

After nine weeks' sickness, James Cook Hemphill died Tuesday at his home in Courtlandt street, aged 58.

The Home guards are not impeded in their cheerfulness to do guard duty by the steady snow storm of Tuesday.

The Home guardmen of Pawcatuck made quick response to the five toots of the fire alarm whistle Tuesday afternoon.

Judge Nathan B. Lewis presided at a session of the Second district court Monday for the first time in several weeks, due to sickness.

In compliance with the request of Governor Heclomb, the saloons in Pawcatuck refrained from doing business on Tuesday as well as on Monday.

The young men in the army and navy, the number being increased by the Home Guard, are called to duty.

Its impress on the man power of the village.

Mrs. Jacob Steinmetz of Westerly died Friday evening at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mary Markstein, in Williamsport, Pa., where she had been visiting. She was 70 years of age and was with pneumonia ten days. The body arrived in Westerly Tuesday.

In order to conserve the small supply of coal in the bins, cord wood is being substituted for heating purposes in the Memorial and Library buildings. This wood is used as it came from the woods, no additional sawing or cutting being required.

At the annual meeting of the Rhode Island Tax Reform association Dr. L. R. Garvin was elected president; Charles S. Simon, vice president; Giddings, secretary; L. A. Basinet, treasurer; Henry J. Chace, corresponding secretary. The executive committee is composed of Dr. L. R. Garvin, J. T. Giddings, P. S. Standish, Charles Sisson and D. S. Fraser.

The battalion of the Connecticut Home guard under command of Major Charles F. Williams of Stonington, composed of two companies in Mystic, one in Stonington borough and one in Pawcatuck, are on special guard duty for an indefinite period. The Pawcatuck company was called out Tuesday afternoon and the other companies were called to duty Monday.

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Baraca Class Reorganizes—Birthday Gift for Dr. E. P. Fitch—Mr. and Mrs. Owen A. Williams Locate in Los Angeles.

The Baraca class of the Baptist Sunday school has reorganized with new officers as follows: President, Charles W. Davis; vice president, Bertis Rathbun; secretary, John MacQuarrie; treasurer, Ivan Crossman. Capt. Wayland Morgan is acting teacher.

Birthday Gift. The Philathea class gave its teacher, Dr. E. P. Fitch, a gold watch chain for a birthday gift on his recent anniversary. The doctor has just returned from Lawrence hospital and is daily improving in health.

To Act on Invitation.

The firemen will have a special meeting Wednesday evening to consider the acceptance of the invitation to attend the Pioneer Hose company's fair in Groton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Morzan are visiting Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Gates in Ansonia.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Chester have gone to Daytona, Fla., to spend the rest of the winter. Miss Abbie Chester is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith during their absence.

Now in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen A. Williams, who have been motoring through California, have settled for a time in Los Angeles, where they have taken a house for the remainder of the winter. Later they will make their home in Arizona.

Capt. A. H. Newport.

Mrs. Lavine Patterson is recovering from the effects of a fall in which her hip was broken.

Charles Haffey of Newport spent the week end at his home here.

Sidney Batson, a patient in Lawrence hospital, is improving and will be brought home in a few days.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Francis has been named Eleanor Morgan, for her aunt, Mrs. Nat Vincent, the celebrated composer.

Douglas, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Anderson, has recovered from a severe attack of pneumonia.

William Spicer is able to be out after an attack of pneumonia.

Lloyd Brown, manager of the W. O. Pendleton store, has recovered from a severe attack of grip. Mr. Rathbun has been ill with the same disease but is better.

Writes from France.

News has been received from Lt. Archie Wilcox from somewhere in France.

Lieut. Henry Langworthy of Newport has been at his home here.

Mrs. David Doyle has recovered from a recent illness.

Schools Open.

Schools of the village opened Tuesday after an extended vacation due to lack of coal.

Mrs. Tyler Crittenden of New Haven spent the week end at Rambler cottage.

Miss Helen Dunn has returned to Providence after a visit at Riverview cottage.

G. E. Andrews, a patient in Lawrence hospital, is able to sit up for a short time each day.

THOMPSON

Mrs. E. M. D. Herrick is ill and being cared for by Mrs. James Wilson.

The Red Cross society met this week with Mrs. Dexter Elliott and the Thimble club with Mrs. F. A. Munyan.

Ice is still being harvested on the Beam pond, smaller ponds being frozen solid. Ice has been cut several times and some has been twenty-two inches thick.

Health Officer.

Oscar Munyan is the new health officer.

George Foster had the good fortune to secure a fox on his East Thompson trip.

Miss Ardelle Chase sang a solo at the Sunday morning service. Many are enjoying the less formal meetings in the vestry.

BALTIC.

Capt. Almo Gordon's Team Succeeded in Raising \$102.65 For K. of C.—Live Wire Club Results From the Week's Campaign.

Captain Almo Gordon and the members of the Baltic team who so faithfully labored in obtaining donations for the K. of C. war fund campaign, have received many compliments for their zeal in procuring the large sum of \$102.65 in Baltic, United in their effort to make a showing of which Baltic is proud the soldiers worked to the final hour. Mr. H. Donahoe, president of the Shetucket Worsted Mills, devoted much time as well as money and in securing contributions he furnished automobiles to aid the canvassers in their work.

Under direction of Captain Gordon the team progressed rapidly. The citizens and residents of Baltic were generous in response to the appeal to do their bit. Manufacturers, business men and others came forward and assisted liberally.

While Baltic is foremost in collecting the largest amount in the smaller villages, the members of the team are satisfied that they worked the entire village and feel fully repaid for their efforts.

To be so cordially greeted at different homes where they solicited donations encouraged the solicitors and gave them renewed courage to continue the work.

The Baltic team was composed of the following solicitors: Captain Almo Gordon, M. H. Donahoe, Charles F. Charon, Louis J. Fontaine, Harry A. Gaucher, George Lacroix, Sr., Thomas Donahoe, Louis Steffen, Napoleon Duff, Joseph Beauchemin and Frank Love.

Four hundred and nine dollars of the total amount received was donated by members of the team. The following list shows the number of members of the Baltic team: M. H. Donahoe \$250, Rev. J. V. E. Bellanger \$25, Rev. Thomas Lynch \$25, Charles F. Charon \$25, Harry A. Gaucher \$25.

William Bellanger, contributed \$200, at the Baltic Mills, contributed \$200, the Rosary society of St. Mary's church \$25. Other contributions consist of \$15.00 and \$5 from business men and office clerks in Baltic which helped to make up the remainder of the grand total.

Rev. J. V. E. Bellanger and Rev. Thomas Lynch were instrumental in making the campaign a huge success.

Live Wire Club.

Monday evening at 7:45 o'clock Alexander Dupont's large auto truck and Joseph Pion's truck conveyed the members of the Baltic team who were soliciting for the K. of C. war fund, with fifty guests to Norwich to attend the final announcement which was received with great pleasure. As a result of this campaign an organization to be known as the Live Wire club has been formed in Baltic. Monday evening the members of this club were taken to Norwich on a strawdine and were given instructions as to their duties at the conclusion of the K. of C. ceremonies.

The object of this club is to assist each and every society soliciting war funds and to assist in any way when called upon by the Baltic branch of the Norwich Red Cross chapter.

In order to cooperate with the different societies helping along the national cause the members are taken into this club gratis, and will not be charged a monthly fee.

The first meeting is to be held next Saturday evening at 8:15 in St. Jean's hall. Persons wishing to join this club are being asked to send their names to Live Wire, Baltic, Conn.

A meeting is to be held at a later date at which time officers are to be elected.

ASHWILLETT

Mrs. Charles Culver and Mrs. Jesse Richmond entertained relatives Sunday.

Grover C. Maine transacted business in the village Monday.

Charles I. Rathbun of Maine's Cross visited relatives at Nathan N. Maine's Sunday.

Chas. Culver called on friends in the village Wednesday.

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MYSTIC

Company D Home Guards Called Out Tuesday to Relieve Company A—Class Members Entertained—John Grinnell Leaves for California.

Monday afternoon the whistle at the power station blew six times to notify the Company A Home guard to appear at the armory. Capt. Plish was ordered to have his company ready for guard duty and on Monday evening the men were stationed at the different shipyards, the Mystic Manufacturing company plant and the bridges. Soon after the men were called the members of the Mystic Red Cross were busy fitting out the boys. Community hall was made headquarters where Major Williams receives all orders. The ed Cross furnished all the company with sweaters, scarfs and wristlets which was gratefully received by Company A.

The Red Cross also saw that the boys were provided with food.

Tuesday afternoon the alarm was sounded seven times, calling out some of the boys. These boys all received the same comforts from the Red Cross. They will do duty to relieve Company A. Mystic is willing and anxious to truck company was called out Tuesday afternoon and the other companies were called to duty Monday.

CLASS ENTERTAINED

Held Business Session Followed by Social.

The members of the All Alive class of the Methodist church met at the home of Harry B. MacKenzie on Bank Square for a business session and social. One new member was admitted. The class members are doing some good work. Great interest is being taken by the boys in the service flag which is to be given to the church. The class was organized two years ago last September and during that time not one of the boys has missed over four Sundays from the Sunday school session. Each boy has won a pin and bible for faithful attendance. After the business session Monday evening games were played and refreshments were served.

Personals.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Lanphere have returned from a two weeks' visit with relatives in Delaware and Maryland.

John Grinnell has left for California where he will spend the remainder of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold King of Brooklyn, N. Y., are visiting at Willow Point.

STAFFORD SPRINGS

Annual Meeting Corporation of John's Hospital—Cost of Caring for Patients in 1917 Less Than During Previous Year—Total of 315 Patients Admitted.

The annual meeting of the corporation of the Cyril and Julia C. Johnson Memorial hospital, held Monday afternoon at the hospital, disclosed the fact that in the face of the high cost of living it cost less per patient to run the institution in 1917 than it did the previous year. The average weekly cost per patient in 1917 was \$17.44 as compared with \$18.56 in 1916.

The total number of patients admitted during the year was 315; number treated, 323; medical, 113; surgical, 154; births, 41; deaths, 27; obstetrical, 43; surgical operations, 134; in hospital.

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pital Jan. 1, 1918, 23. Daily average number of patients, 17 10-12; daily average number of nurses, 5 5-12. James Sheppard and Lor O'Halloran were elected corporators in place of E. C. Pinney and W. E. Hanley, who died during the year.

The trustees elected are Christopher Allen, F. H. Baker, George L. Dennis, Robert H. Fisk, W. H. Hall, Lot O'Halloran, Miss Celia Holt, William H. Heald, Mrs. Julia C. Johnson, A. I. Mitchell, Mrs. Lewis McLaughlin, M. D. O'Connell, Mrs. Jerome Orcutt, C. B. Pinney, William Park, J. H. Reed, William O. Rockwell, Freeman F. Patton, F. G. Sanford, Frederick Swindell, R. H. Valentine.

The following officers and committees were elected: President, Freeman F. Patton; vice presidents, F. G. Sanford, William Park, Christopher Allen; secretary and treasurer, William H. Heald; executive committee, William Park, F. G. Sanford, Christopher Allen; finance committee, Christopher Allen, George L. Dennis, A. I. Mitchell; auditors, William O. Rockwell and M. D. O'Connell; visiting physicians, Dr. C. B. Newton, Dr. G. Percival Barst, Dr. P. L. Smith, Dr. P. J. Hanley, consultants, Dr. Ralph H. Seelye, Springfield, Mass., Dr. E. T. Smith, Dr. P. H. Ingalls, Dr. F. S. Crossfield, Dr. E. K. Root and Dr. William Porter of Hartford, Dr. E. P. Batchelder, of Boston, Dr. Daniel Sullivan of New London, Dr. James Stretch of Simsbury, Dr. Thomas G. Alcorn of Thompsonville.

For Stay-at-homes.

The lot of the stay-at-homes becomes ever more painful and uncertain. Incompetent medical officers are to be dismissed from the army, so that they will have to confine their practice to civilians. — Indianapolis News.

Says Acid Stomach Causes Indigestion

Excess of hydrochloric acid sours the food and forms gases.

Undigested food delayed in the stomach decays, or rather, ferments the same as food left in the open air, says a noted authority. He also tells us that indigestion is caused by Hyper-acidity, meaning, there is an excess of hydro-chloric acid in the stomach, which prevents complete digestion and starts food fermentation. Thus everything eaten sours in the stomach much like garbage sours in a can, forming acrid fluids and gases which inflate the stomach like a toy balloon. Then we feel a heavy, lumpy misery in the chest, we belch up gas, we eructate sour food or have heartburn, flatulence, water-brash or nausea.

He tells us to lay aside all digestive aids and instead, get from any pharmacy four ounces of Epsom Salts and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast and drink while it is effervescent, and furthermore, to continue this for a week. While relief follows the first dose, it is important to neutralize the acidity, remove the gas-making mass, start the liver, stimulate the kidneys and thus promote a free flow of pure digestive juices.

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